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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Masamitsu NAKAMINAMI et al. Art Unit: 3712

Serial No.: 09/849,437 Examiner: Miller, B.

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2002, applicant hereby submits the enclosed papers including an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.111.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for one (1) month to November 18, 2002 (since November 17, 2002 was a Sunday) for filing a response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application.

No extension of time has been previously obtained for filing the response. Thus a fee of \$110.00 for an extension of one month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 and 1.136(a) is required.

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The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims 12 - 20 = 0Independent 4 - 3 = 1

\$0.00 \$84.00

One Month's Extension of Time Fee

\$110.00

TOTAL FEE DUE:

\$194.00

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0071/007001. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS PAPER IS ENCLOSED. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 18, 2002

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